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SUBJECT: GRADUATE STUDENTS/YOUNG SPECIALISTS IN THE ARTS

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1. DESPITE REPEATED EMBASSY APPROACHES, MINCULT WILL NOT CHANGE THEIR POSITION THAT PLACEMENT OF 1975-76 STUDENTS NOW COMPLETED AND ADDITIONAL US CANDIDATE -- LARABEE -- CANNOT BE PLACED. THEIR OVERRIDING CONCERN CONTINUES TO BE TOTAL NUMBER AMERICAN STUDENTS REQUIRED TO BE PLACED BY THEM.

2. IN SIMILAR VEIN MINCULT HAS TURNED DOWN GRAZIANO EXTENSION REQUEST, AT LEAST IN PART BECAUSE IT WAS HELD UNTIL AFTER MINCULT RULED ON PANEL OF ORIGINAL FIRST-YEAR NOMINEES TO PRESERVE THE BEST POSSIBLE CHANCE FOR THEM. MINCULT EDUCATION DEPARTMENT MAKES CLEAR THEY HAVE NOTHING AGAINST GRAZIANO HERSELF AND SHE WOULD BE CONSIDERED ON AN EQUAL BASIS WERE SHE TO APPLY IN ANOTHER YEAR. EMBASSY ASKED WHETHER ANY FUTURE EXTENSION REQUESTS WOULD BE CALCULATED AGAINST THE FIRST-YEAR STUDENT QUOTA AND MINCULT REPLIED PROBABLY BUT IT WOULD HAVE TO BE DETERMINED. ALSO ASKED IF GRAZINO REQUEST, IF PLACED FORMALLY LAST SPRING, WOULD HAVE COMPETED WITH FIRST-YEAR QUOTA, AND ANSWER WAS PROBABLY. ACCORDING TO PRESENT MINCULT PROCEDURE PLACEMENTS DEPEND ON NUMBER OF VACANCIES. BELIEVE ONLY WAY TO RESOLVE BOTH FIRST-YEAR QUOTA AND EXTENSION PROVISION IS TO PRESS FOR  
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FORMAL AGREEMENT AT REVIEW TALKS.

3. NEIDICH VISA AUTHORIZATIN SENT TO SOVEMBASSY SOME TIME AGO  
AND HE SHOULD RECEIVE VISA PROMPTLY. ADVISE.

4. SUGGEST IIE DETERMINE WHICH SOVIET STUDENT BETTER QUALIFIED  
FOR PLACEMENT. IN EMBASSY'S INFORMAL OPINION, OMARI SOKHADZE HAS  
MORE SUBSTANTIVE AND WELL WORKED-OUT STUDY PROPOSAL.  
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